

Attorney Docket: 028987.51730US
PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: BERND NABERT ET AL.

Serial No.: To Be Assigned Customer No.: 23911

Filed: Concurrently Herewith

Title: INTERIOR DESIGN DEVICE FOR A VEHICLE, ESPECIALLY
A MOTOR VEHICLE

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem relevant to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

**CONCISE EXPLANATION OF NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE
DOCUMENTS**

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a corresponding foreign Search Report citing such documents, together with an

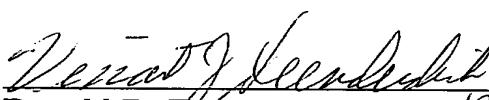
English-language version of that portion of the Search Report indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign office.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the above-captioned application, and therefore no certification under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is required.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

October 21, 2003


For Donald D. Evenson Reg No
Registration No. 26,160 *59004*

CROWELL & MORING, LLP
P.O. Box 14300
Washington, DC 20044-4300
Telephone No.: (202) 624-2500
Facsimile No.: (202) 628-8844
DDE/mys

FORM PTO-1449 U.S. Department of Commerce Patent & Trademark Office		Attorney Docket No. 028987.51730US	Serial No. To Be Assigned
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT <i>(Use several sheets if necessary)</i>		Applicant: NABERT et al.	
		Filing Date Concurrently Herewith	Group To Be Assigned

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initial		Document Number	Date	Name	Class	Sub-Class	Filing Date (if appropriate)
AA		3,845,890	11/05/1974	JOHNS	224	42.1 C	
AB		5,507,423	04/16/1996	FISCHER et al.	224	313	
AC		5,492,260	02/20/1996	RIEDEN et al.	224	553	
AD							
AE							
AF							
AG							
AH							
AI							
AJ							

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initial		Document Number	Date	Country	Class	Sub-Class	TRANSLATION
							Yes No
AK		2001-171438	06/26/2001	Japan			AB
AL		4333479 A1	04/21/1994	Germany			AB
AM		4135300 A1	04/29/1993	Germany			AB
AN							
AO							
AP							

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)							
	AQ						
	AR						
	AS						

EXAMINER	DATE CONSIDERED

EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication.